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Once a virtual paradise, the planet Mobius was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of Doctor Robotnik. In the aftermath, a courageous group of "Freedom Fighters" has risen to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs. The greatest among them is the fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

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Especially for one King Acorn...

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

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INCOMING AT TWELVE O'CLOCK HIGH!

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Hmm! THAT'S QUITE AN UNUSUAL LOOKING CRAFT!

I WONDER WHO IT COULD BE!

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YOU SHOULD STAND BEHIND US PRINCESS--

--AT LEAST UNTIL WE KNOW ZEY ARE FRIENDLY!

YOU KNOW ME BETTER THAN THAT, ANTOINE!

BESIDES--

IT'S ONLY SIR KNUCKLES!*

AND IT LOOKS LIKE HE BROUGHT A FRIEND!

IS THAT ANY WAY TO GREET A GUEST OF THE REALM?

*SALLY KNIGHTED KNUCKLES IN SONIC SELECT VOL.3 -- EDITOR

AFTER ALL, YOU GUYS AREN'T EXACTLY A HOP SKIP AND A JUMP AWAY FROM THE *FLOATING ISLAND!*

THE *TRIP* WASN'T *THAT* BAD, KNUCKLES!

"I GUESS YOU COULD SAY WE *DIDN'T* START OUT AS FRIENDS--*

JUST THE SAME, I'M GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT!

AND YOU ARE--?

SALLY, THIS IS *JULIE-SU.*

WE JUST *RECENTLY* MET.

YOU'RE GOING DOWN, *PUNK!*

YOU THINK YOU'RE ECHIDNA ENOUGH TO DO IT?

* CHECK OUT KNUCKLES ARCHIVES FOR THE FULL STORY -- EDITOR

--BOY?

GUESS AGAIN!

--BUT WE FOUND WE *SHARED* SOME THINGS IN *COMMON!*

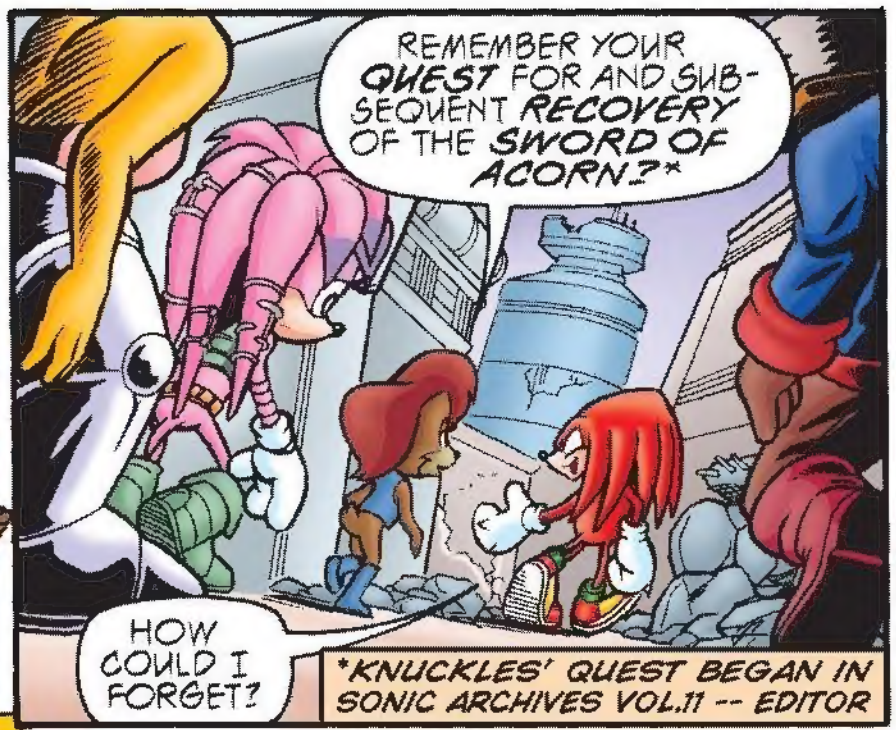
Aha! SO YOU *TWO* ARE--

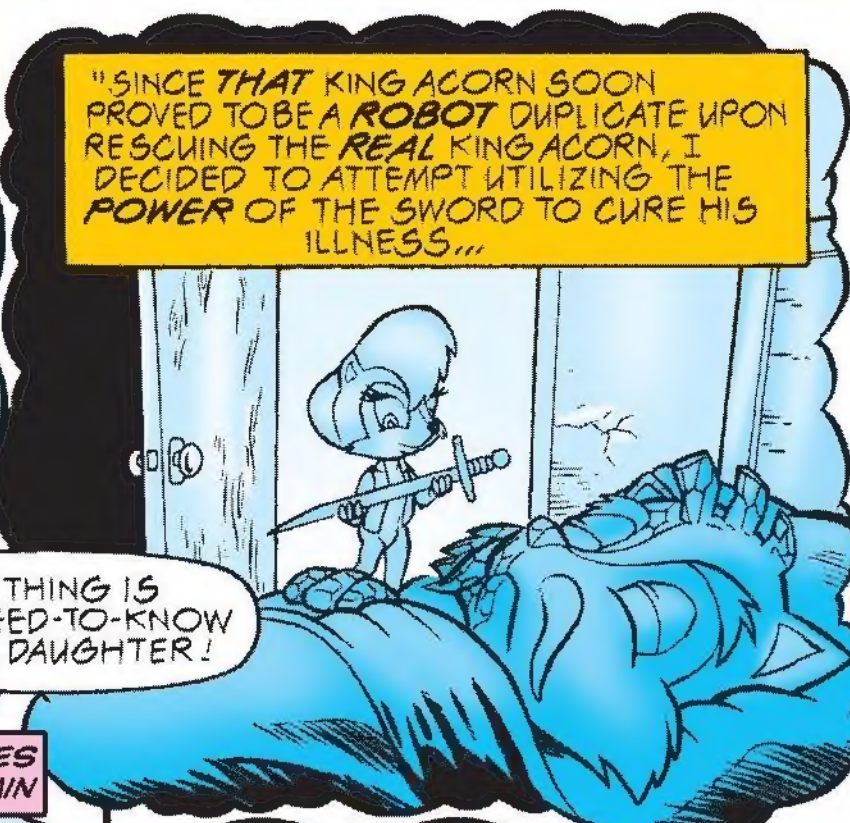
--JUST *BUDDIES!*

WE HAVE OUR *DISAGREEMENTS* AS WELL!

I'M *SURE!*

HOWEVER, WE CAN DISCUSS THAT *LATER!* FOR NOW--





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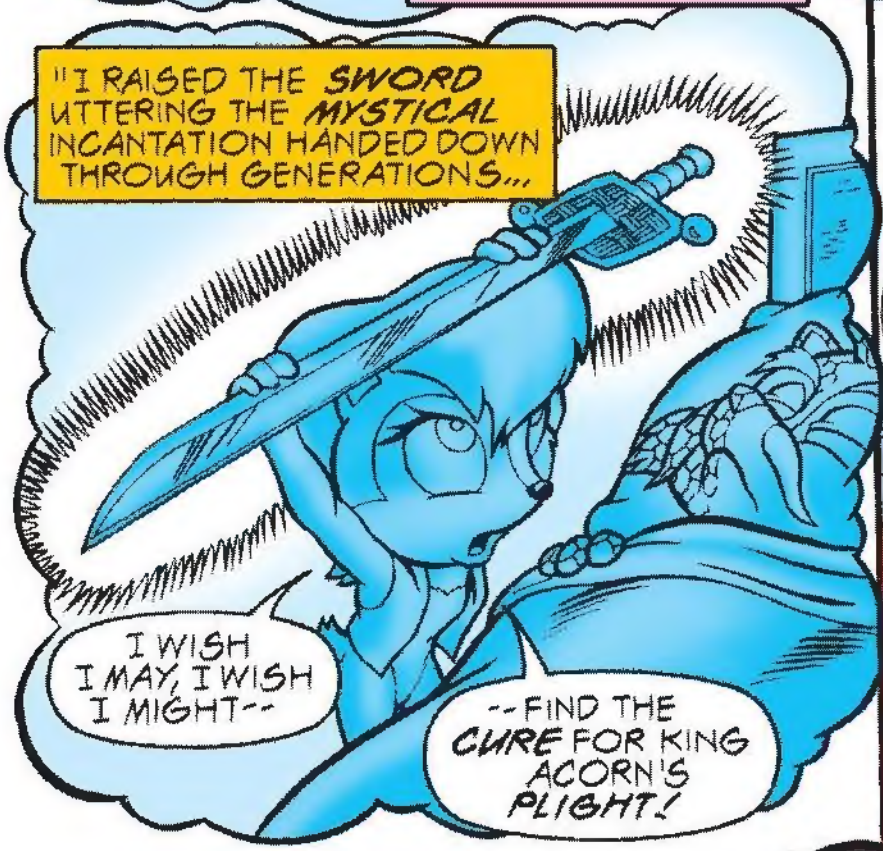

"I HAD ROTOR EXAMINE THE SWORD, AND HE FOUND--
IT'S A FAKE!
WHAT'S FAKE?
THAT HUNKA METAL OR THE STORY BEHIND IT?
I WAS PLANNING TO GO OFF ON MY OWN QUEST--
--BUT MY DUTIES SUPERVISING THE RECONSTRUCTION OF MOBOTROPOLIS REQUIRED I STAY HERE!
NOW I'M HOPING YOU'RE UP FOR TRYING ONCE AGAIN TO FIND THE TRUE SWORD OF ACORN!
I'M SORRY, PRINCESS, BUT I'VE BEEN BUSY MYSELF SINCE I RECENTLY DISCOVERED MY BIRTHPLACE STILL EXISTED, BUT IN ANOTHER ZONE--*
WILD!
IT CAN ONLY BE--
--ECHIDNAOPOLIS!
"WHEN ROBOTNIK'S ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR WENT OFF, IT MUST HAVE AFFECTED THE BARRIERS BETWEEN ZONES ENABLING GRANDFATHER HAWKINS TO RESTORE THE CITY TO ITS ORIGINAL SITE!"*
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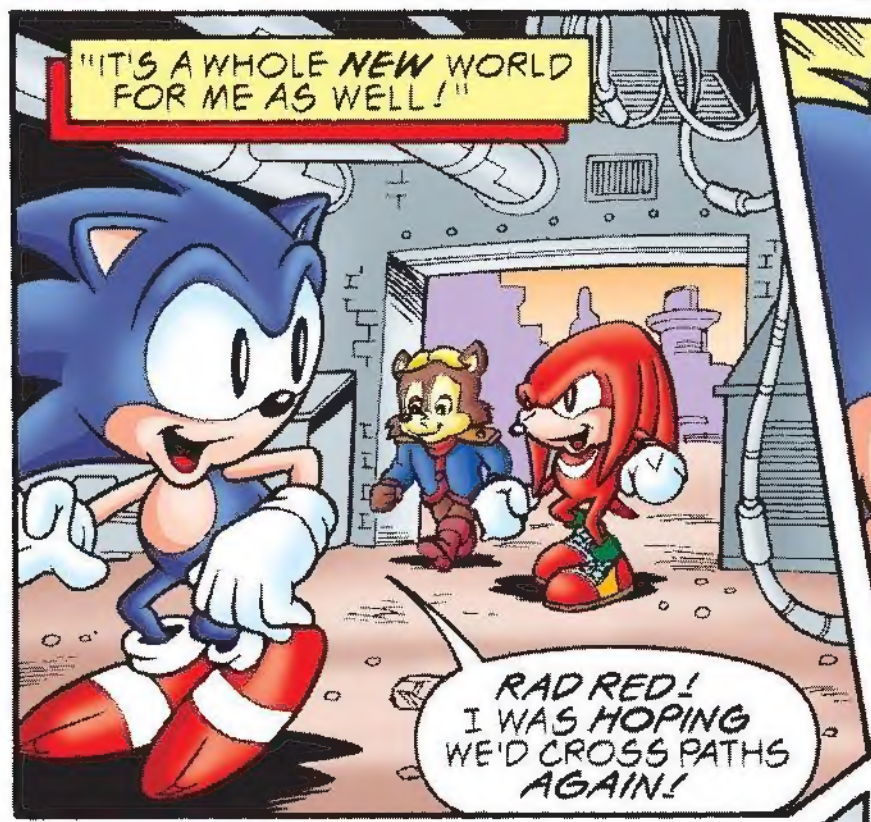
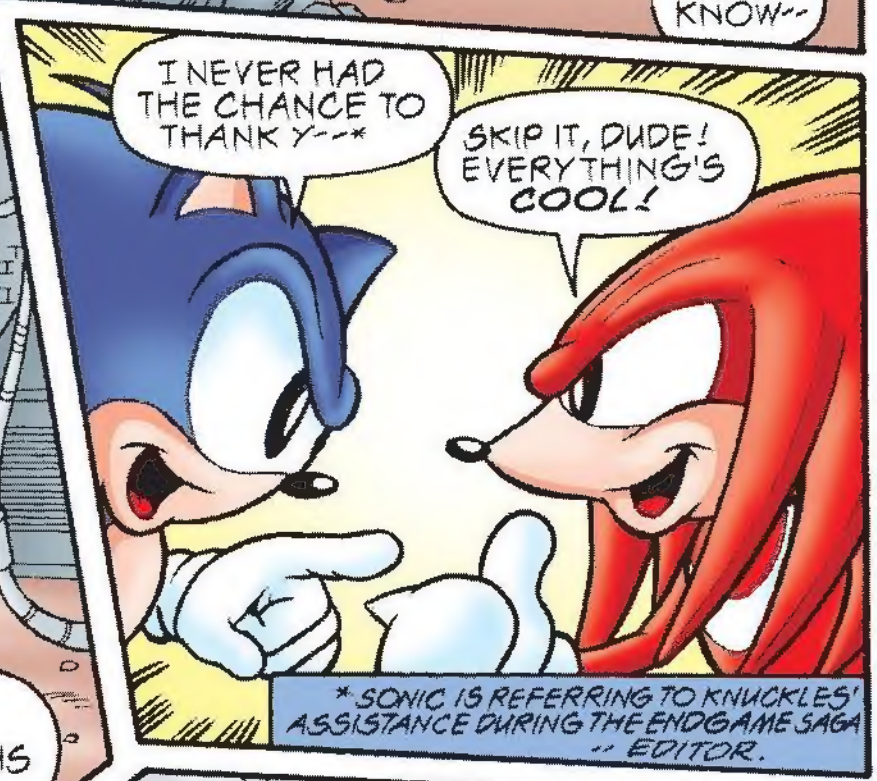
WHEN YOU CALLED, IT GAVE ME THE EXCUSE I NEEDED TO GET AWAY AND THINK, ESPECIALLY AFTER DISCOVERING A MOTHER I NEVER KNEW I HAD!
SOUNDS LIKE YOU AND SOMEONE ELSE I KNOW HAVE MORE IN COMMON THAN EITHER OF YOU REALIZE.
IN FACT--

I THINK THE TWO OF YOU SHOULD HAVE A REAL HEART-TO-HEART TALK!
ANTOINE, WHY DON'T YOU TAKE KNUCKLES TO SEE SONIC!

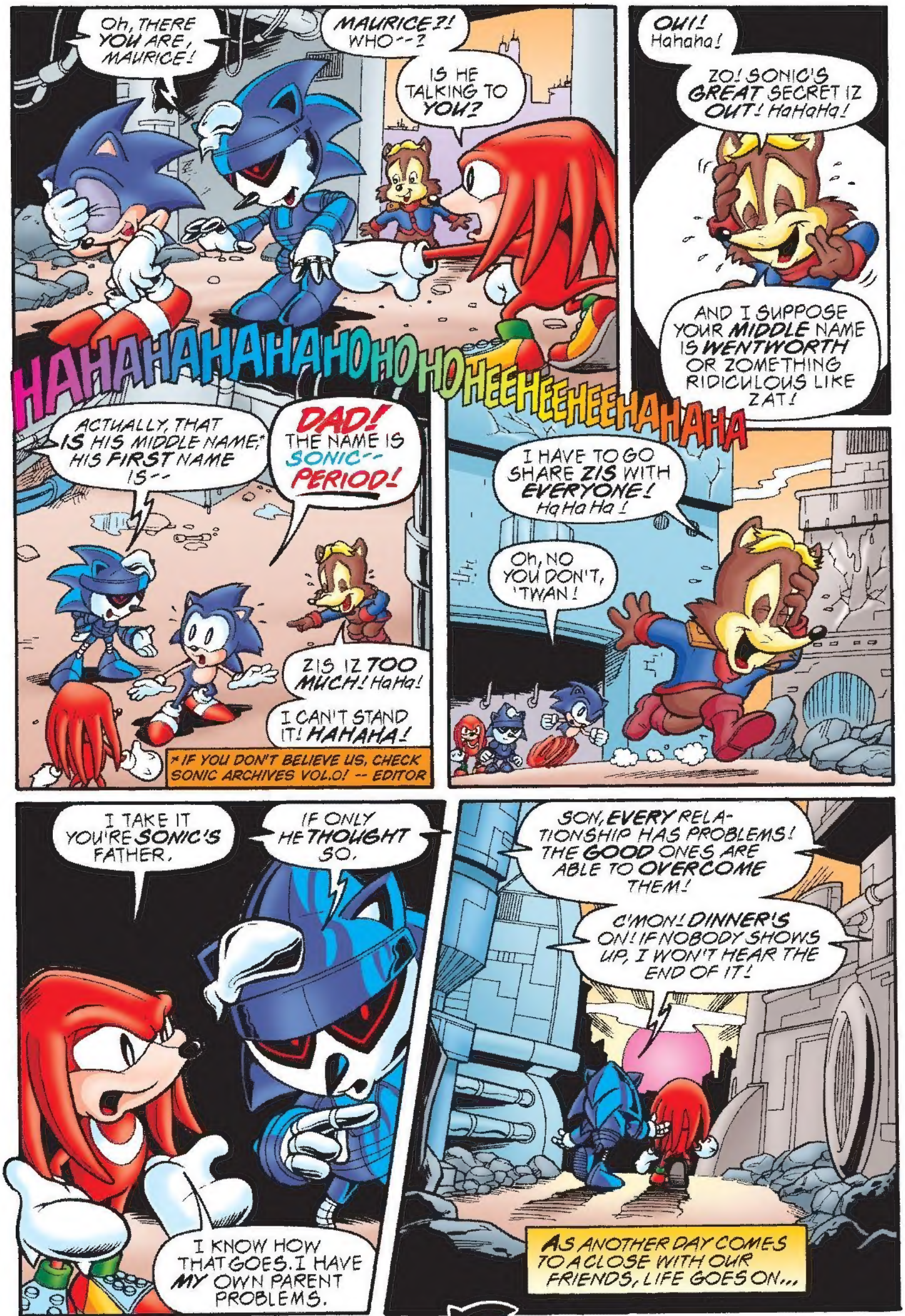
JULIE-SU, WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN US?
I THINK I'D LIKE THAT!
YOU KNOW--


"IT'S A WHOLE NEW WORLD FOR ME AS WELL!"
RAD RED! I WAS HOPING WE'D CROSS PATHS AGAIN!


I NEVER HAD THE CHANCE TO THANK Y--*
SKIP IT, DUDE! EVERYTHING'S COOL!
* SONIC IS REFERRING TO KNUCKLES' ASSISTANCE DURING THE ENDGAME SAGA -- EDITOR.

SEAL THE DEAL, COMPADRE!
JUST DON'T GET WETWORKS ON ME!
THE HEDGEHOG IS NEVER UNCOOL, MAN!

MAURICE!
oh no!
WHO'S THAT SCREAMING? SOUNDS LIKE A STRANGLED TURKEY!


Oh, THERE YOU ARE, MAURICE!
MAURICE?! WHO--?
IS HE TALKING TO YOU?
HAHAHAHAHAHAHOHOHOHEEHEEHEEHAHAHA
ACTUALLY, THAT IS HIS MIDDLE NAME; HIS FIRST NAME IS--
DAD! THE NAME IS SONIC-- PERIOD!
ZIS IZ TOO MUCH! HaHa!
I CAN'T STAND IT! HAHAHA!
* IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE US, CHECK SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.0! -- EDITOR
OUI! Hahaha!
ZO! SONIC'S GREAT SECRET IZ OUT! HaHaHa!
AND I SUPPOSE YOUR MIDDLE NAME IS WENTWORTH OR ZOMETHING RIDICULOUS LIKE ZAT!
I HAVE TO GO SHARE ZIS WITH EVERYONE! HaHaHa!
Oh, NO YOU DON'T, 'TWAN!
I TAKE IT YOU'RE SONIC'S FATHER.
IF ONLY HE THOUGHT SO.
I KNOW HOW THAT GOES. I HAVE MY OWN PARENT PROBLEMS.
SON, EVERY RELATIONSHIP HAS PROBLEMS! THE GOOD ONES ARE ABLE TO OVERCOME THEM!
C'MON! DINNER'S ON! IF NOBODY SHOWS UP, I WON'T HEAR THE END OF IT!
AS ANOTHER DAY COMES TO A CLOSE WITH OUR FRIENDS, LIFE GOES ON...

THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY!

AND IN THE WAKE OF THE NEFARIOUS IVO ROBOTNIK'S DEFEAT BY THE KNOTHOLE VILLAGE FREEDOM FIGHTERS,

--LIFE HAS UNDERGONE SOME DRAMATIC CHANGES FOR THE AFOREMENTIONED GROUP!

AND FOR TWO OF THEM IN PARTICULAR, IT SEEMS THAT THE CHANGES HAVE ONLY BEGUN...

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™ IN SOUNDS OF SILENCE

Part 1

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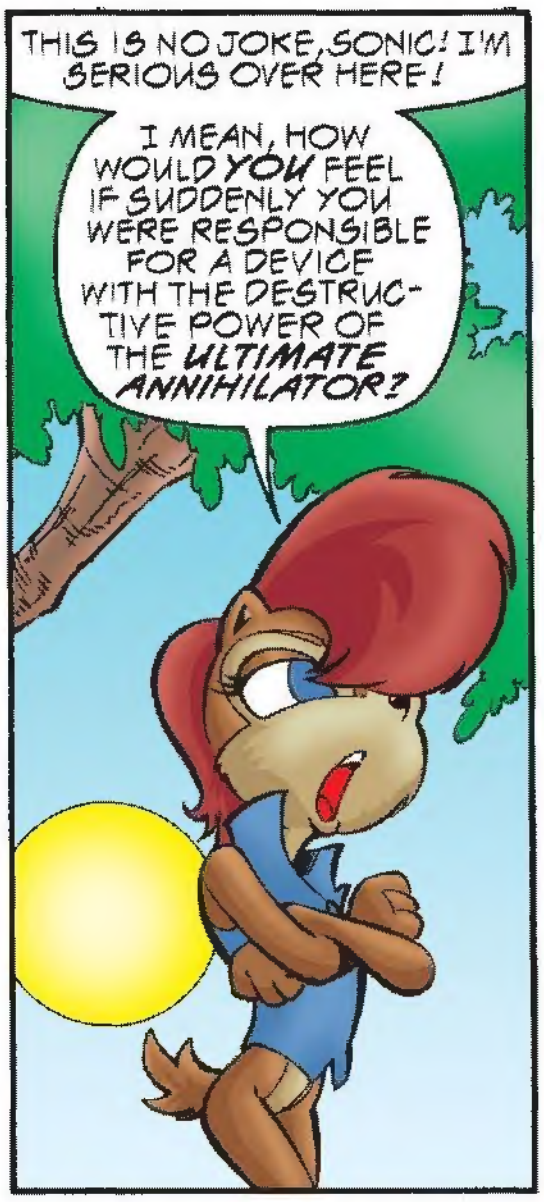
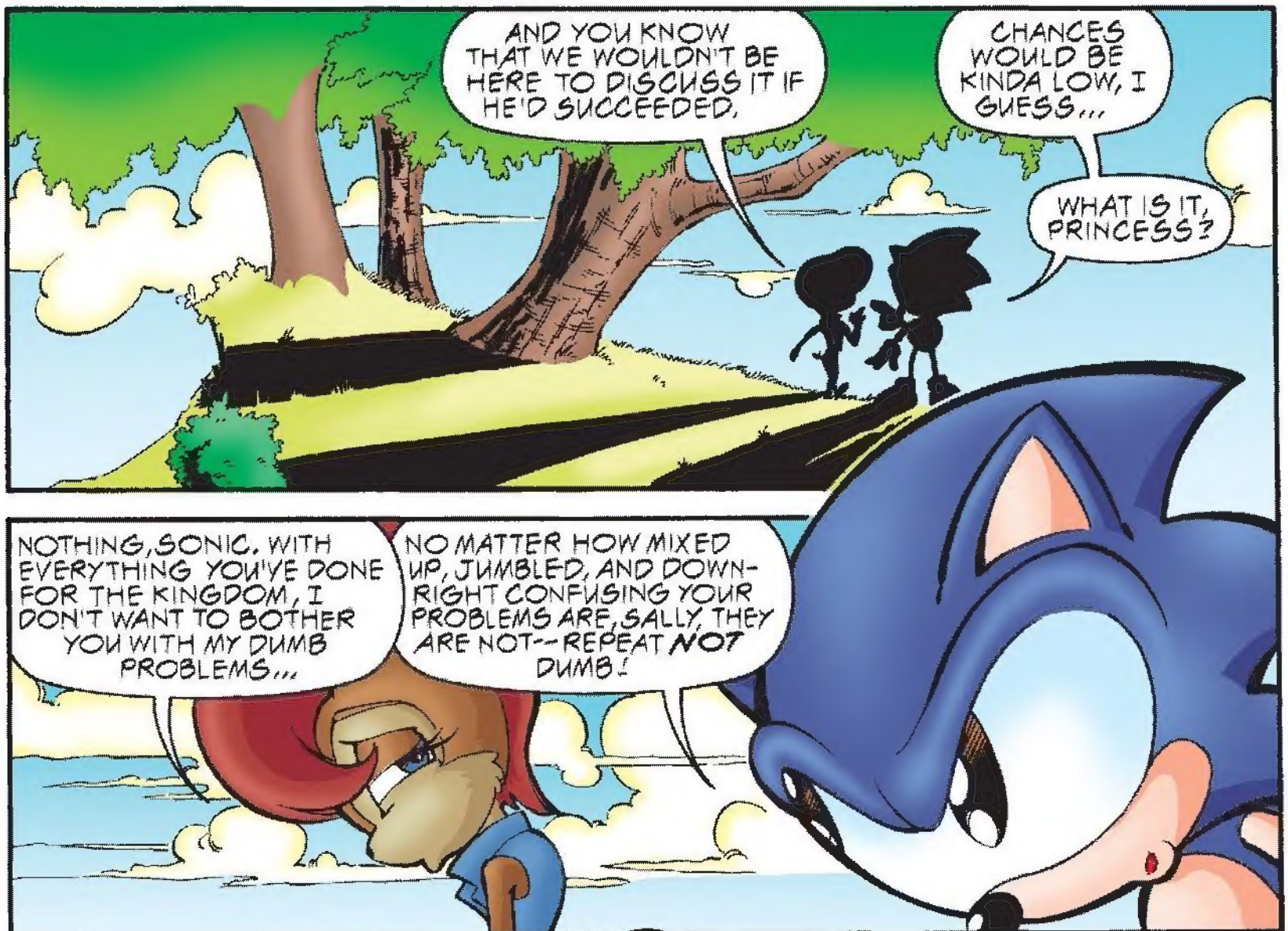

THIS IS NO JOKE, SONIC! I'M SERIOUS OVER HERE!
I MEAN, HOW WOULD YOU FEEL IF SUDDENLY YOU WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR A DEVICE WITH THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF THE ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR?

Whoah! ROBUTTNIK NEARLY WIPED OUT ALL OF CREATION WITH THAT IMPORTED WEAPON OF HIS!


AND YOU KNOW THAT WE WOULDN'T BE HERE TO DISCUSS IT IF HE'D SUCCEEDED.
CHANCES WOULD BE KINDA LOW, I GUESS...
WHAT IS IT, PRINCESS?
NOTHING, SONIC. WITH EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE FOR THE KINGDOM, I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER YOU WITH MY DUMB PROBLEMS...
NO MATTER HOW MIXED UP, JUMBLED, AND DOWNRIGHT CONFUSING YOUR PROBLEMS ARE, SALLY, THEY ARE NOT--REPEAT NOT DUMB!

YOU'RE RIGHT, I KNOW. IT'S JUST THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE, I M...
YOU'RE WHAT?
well... scared.
?!

WELL, THINK ABOUT IT FOR A SECOND--
DONE.
HARDY HAR HAR.

SUDDENLY, I'VE GONE FROM LEADING A BAND OF REBELS TO RULING AN ENTIRE KINGDOM IN MY FATHER'S STEAD.
I KNOW.
A KINGDOM FILLED WITH MORE THAN ITS SHARE OF PROBLEMS.
I KNOW.

HALF OF THE CITIZENS ARE ROBOTICIZED AND WANT TO FORM THEIR OWN COLONY.
I KNOW
THEN THERE'S THE MYSTERIOUS ZONES POPPING UP ALL OVER...
I KNOW.

AND MY FATHER! THE KING! WILL WE EVER BE ABLE TO REVERSE THE PROCESS THAT HAS TURNED HIM INTO CRYSTAL?
WE MAY BE CLOSER THAN WE WERE A FEW DAYS AGO.
GEOFFREY!
PRINCESS... SONIC...
St. JOHN.
EVEN NOW, ROTOR, SIR CHARLES, AND DOCTOR QUACK ARE INVESTIGATING THE PORTAL TO THE SO-CALLED ZONE OF SILENCE WITHIN JULIAN'S LAB.
THE DREAD ZONE OF SILENCE...WHERE ROBOTNIK BANISHED MY FATHER YEARS AGO.
ONCE THEY HAVE LAUNCHED A PROBE INTO IT--
WAITAMINNIT! PROBE? IS THAT SUCH A SAFE IDEA? I MEAN--
KUH-BOOM
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH IT--?

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™ IN SOUNDS OF SILENCE

Part 2

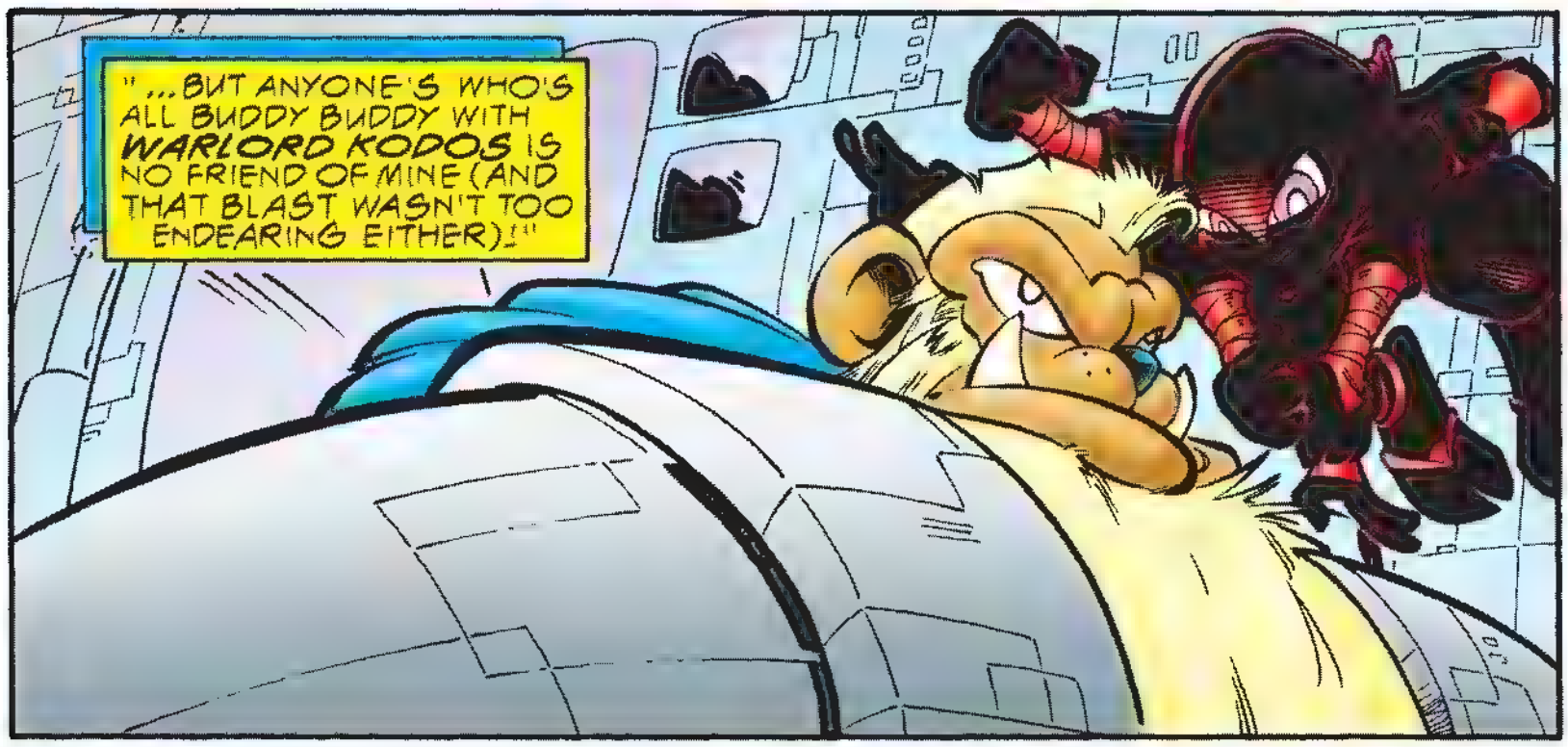
LIKE I WAS SAYING BEFORE I WAS RUDELY INTERRUPTED, PROBE? IS THAT SUCH A SAFE IDEA? I MEAN THE ZONE IS FILLED WITH ALL SORTS OF CREEPY VILLIANS AFTER ALL!

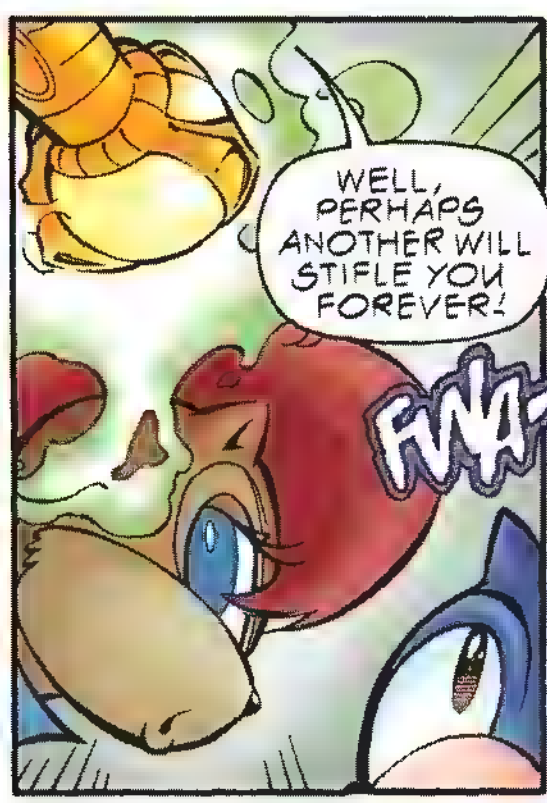
YOU'VE MADE YOUR POINT, HEDGEHOG! NO REASON TO GET SNIPPY!

THEY'VE KNOCKED THE OTHERS UNCONSCIOUS --WHO IN THE WORLD *ARE* THEY?

SILENCE! YOU WILL SPEAK WHEN COMMANDED!
HOLEEEE!
FWA-SHAKT

LIKE I WAS SAYING BEFORE I WAS RUDELY INTERRUPTED, "I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE...


"...BUT ANYONE'S WHO'S ALL BUDDY BUDDY WITH WARLORD KODOS IS NO FRIEND OF MINE (AND THAT BLAST WASN'T TOO ENDEARING EITHER)!"


WELL, PERHAPS ANOTHER WILL STIFLE YOU FOREVER!

FWA-SHAKT
YOU'LL HAVE TO HIT ME FIRST, IXE!

Fantastic.

SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU'VE ISSUED A CHALLENGE WHICH I'LL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO OBLIGE!
SONIC!

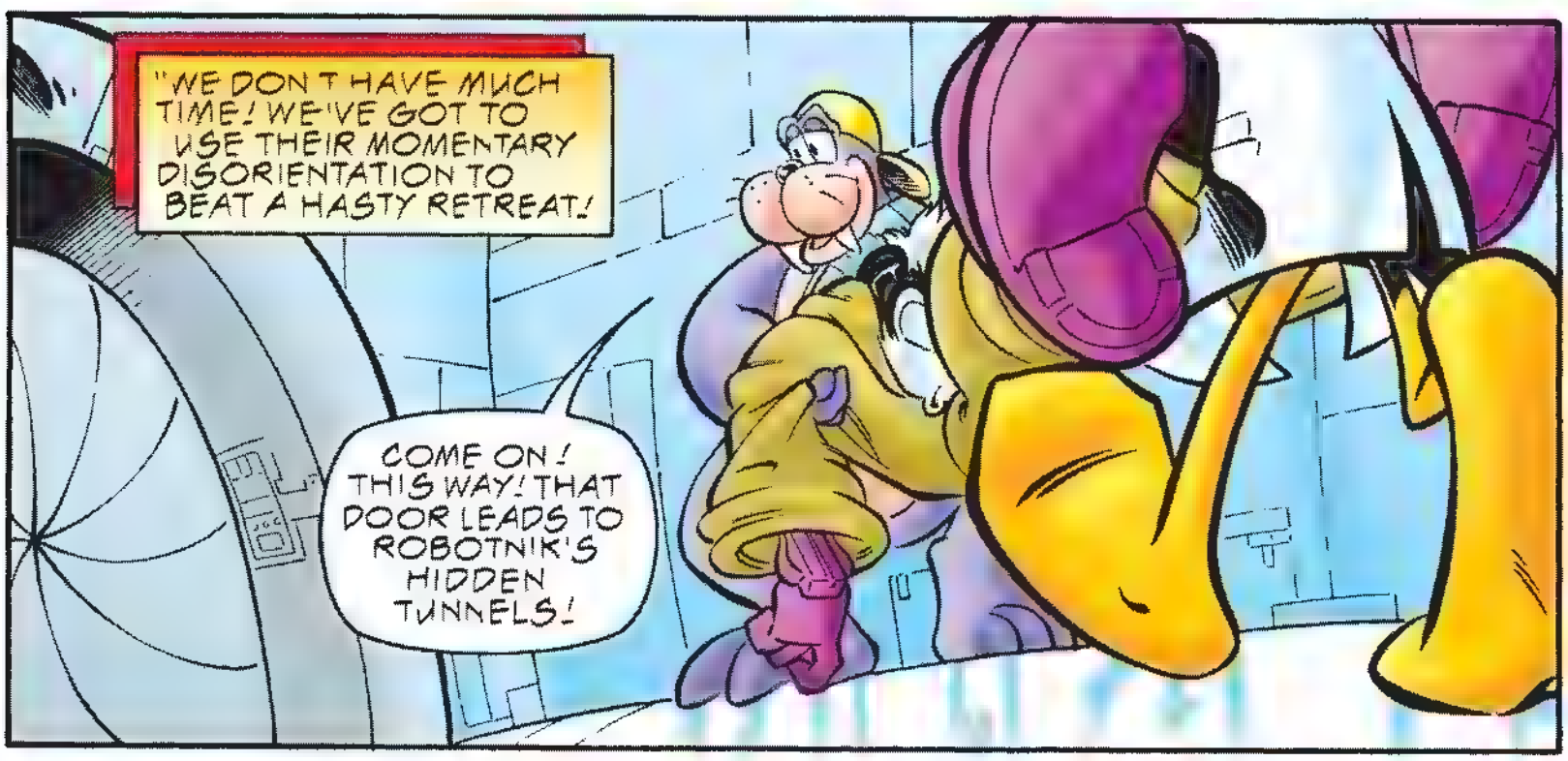
THUNK
THUNK THUNK
WHAT?!
BLAST! MISSED!
SONIC, DON'T JUST STAND THERE! GET THE PRINCESS OUT OF HARM'S--

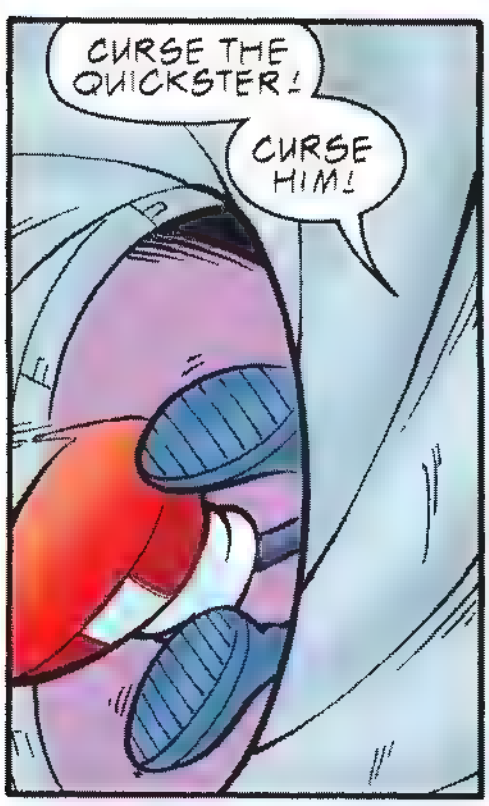
VERY WELL DONE, UMA ARACHNIS! YOUR ABILITIES ARE FORMIDABLE, QUICKSTER! PITY YOU MUST NOW DIE! WOULDN'T IT HAVE BEEN GLORIOUS TO SEE ME ASSUME MY RIGHTFUL RULERSHIP OF MOBOTROPOLIS?
SHUT UP.
KLOKT
UGHH!

NO!
HOLD ON, SALLY!
FWA-SHKT

VAIL'S BONES!
AARRGH!
EE-YAAH!

UNCLE CHUCK! YOU'RE OKAY!
OF COURSE I'M OKAY, MY NEPHEW, BUT WE MUST HURRY!


"WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME! WE'VE GOT TO USE THEIR MOMENTARY DISORIENTATION TO BEAT A HASTY RETREAT!
COME ON! THIS WAY! THAT DOOR LEADS TO ROBOTNIK'S HIDDEN TUNNELS!


CURSE THE QUICKSTER!
CURSE HIM!

WHAT NOW, IXIS?
THEY HAVE FLED!
YES... BUT THEY CAN'T ESCAPE. THEY WILL ATTEMPT TO GAIN THE TRUTH FROM THEIR SO-CALLED KING ACORN...
...AND WE'LL BE THERE TO SEE HE GIVES THEM THAT AND NOTHING BUT THAT!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™ IN SOUNDS OF SILENCE Part 3

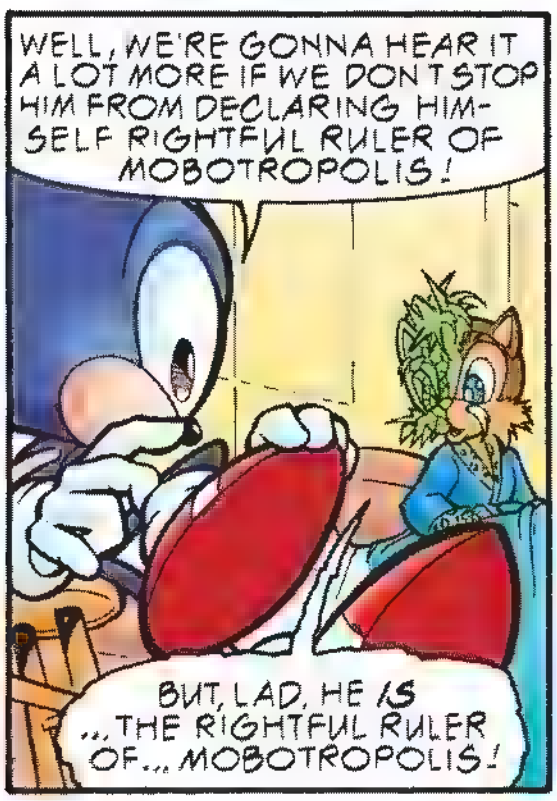
CASTLE ACORN, FORMERLY ROBOTNIK'S HEADQUARTERS...

...NO IDEA THAT LAUNCHING THE PROBE WOULD *RELEASE* THAT DEADLY TRIO!

THEIR LEADER, IXIS NAUGUS, HAS A WAND THAT CAN TURN OBJECTS INTO *CRYSTAL*, FATHER HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?

AND WHY DIDN'T IXIS, KODOS, AND UMA FALL PREY TO THE EFFECTS OF THE ZONE AS YOU DID WHEN EXPOSED TO MOBIUS' ATMOSPHERE, SIRE?

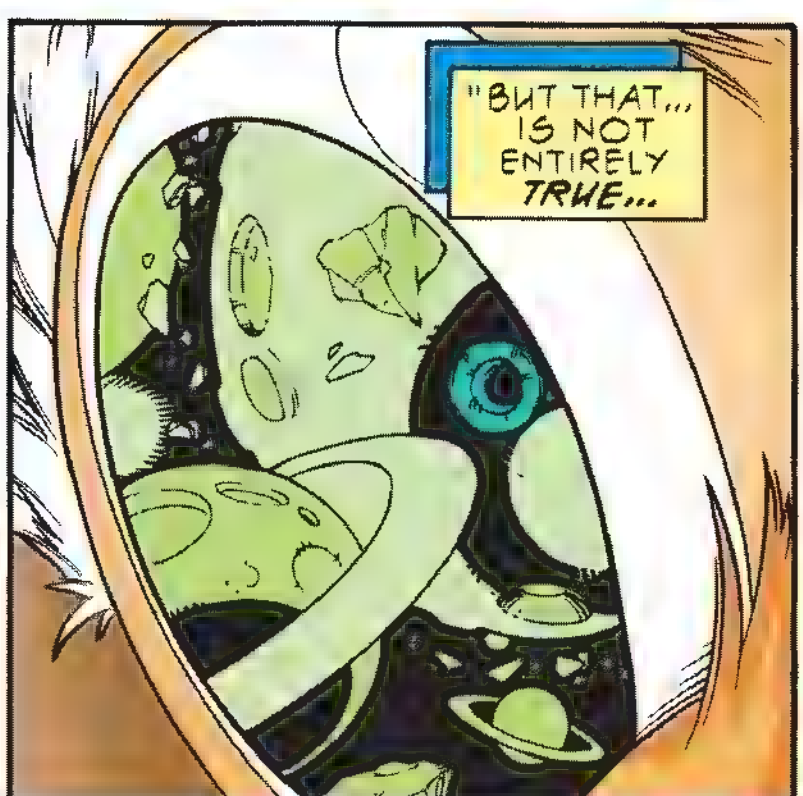
IXIS NAUGUS... A NAME... I THOUGHT ...NEVER TO HEAR... AGAIN...



I THINK OUR LIEGE IS SUFFERING FROM A MOMENTARY LAPSE OF REASON!
NO, DOCTOR... I ASSURE YOU... MY REASONING IS FAR SOUNDER... THAN IT HAS BEEN... FOR SOME TIME...

YOU ALL BELIEVED... MY CRYSTALIZATION... TO BE A BY-PRODUCT OF... PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO ITS... HARSH ENVIRONMENT.

DAD?
I'M FINE, PRINCESS. NEVER THOUGHT THAT... IXIS WOULD ESCAPE ... ZONE OF SILENCE.
NEVER THOUGHT I WOULD EITHER ...FOR THAT MATTER.


"BUT THAT... IS NOT ENTIRELY TRUE...

"AFTER JULIAN... BETRAYED MY TRUST ... THE KINGDOM'S TRUST...
"I HAD... TO USE ALL OF MY SKILLS TO... SURVIVE IN WHAT WAS... MY NEW... HOME...

"BUT AFTER AWHILE... I NO LONGER CARED... FOR MY OWN... SURVIVAL...

"IT TAKES A FEW DAYS FOR... "EXPOSURE TO THE... ZONE... TO SET IN...

"THE ZONE OF... SILENCE... IS CALLED THAT... BECAUSE AFTER PROLONGED EXPOSURE... SOUND AND VIBRATIONS... CEASE TO... EXIST...

"THE EFFECTS CAN BE... *MADDENING!*

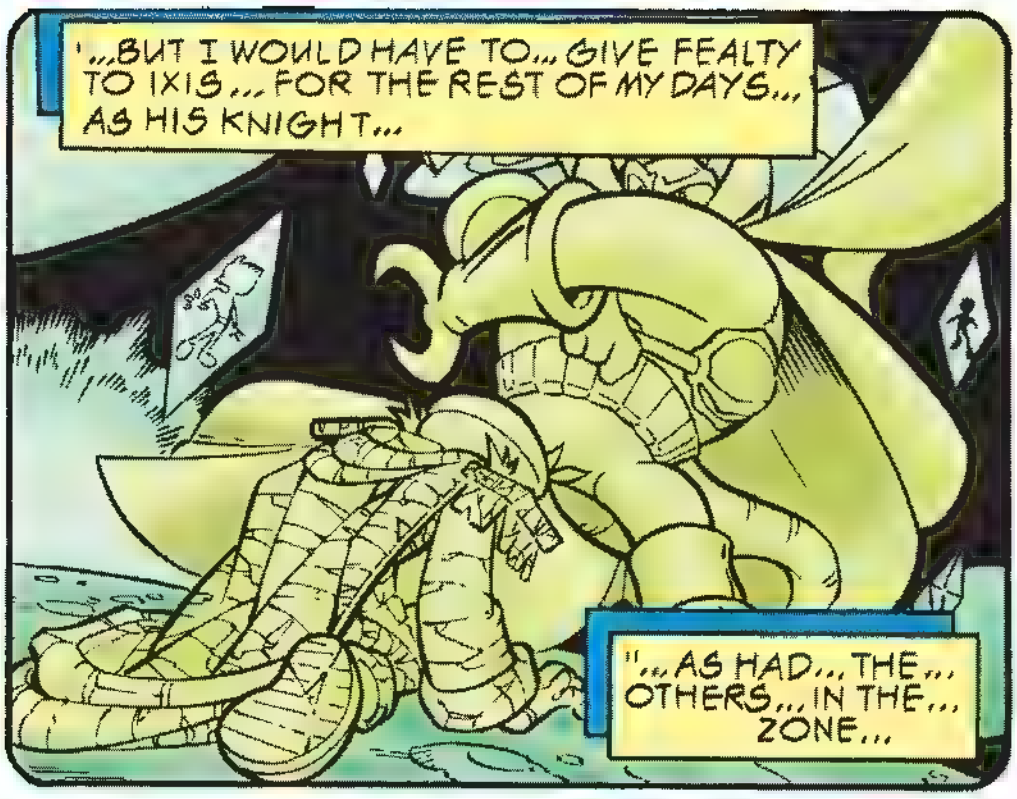
"HOWEVER... I WAS PLUCKED... FROM DEATH'S JAWS... BEFORE I WAS SWALLOWED ...BY THE... BLACK HOLE...

"MY SAVIOR... MADE ME WISH... OTHERWISE...

"MY FORMER ROYAL WIZARD... THE SUPPOSED *CREATOR* OF THIS... ZONE... IXIS NAUGUS... WHO HAD VANISHED... INTO ITS REACHES YEARS PRIOR... NOW STOOD BEFORE ME.

"HE HAD FOUND... THE MEANS TO PREVENT... THE INSANITY USING HIS DARK... MAGICKS AND THE ZONE'S... NATURAL RESOURCES.

"I FORGED... AN UNHOLY PACT THAT DAY. EXCHANGING FLESH AND BLOOD... FOR ORGANIC CRYSTAL... WOULD GRANT ME IMMUNITY...

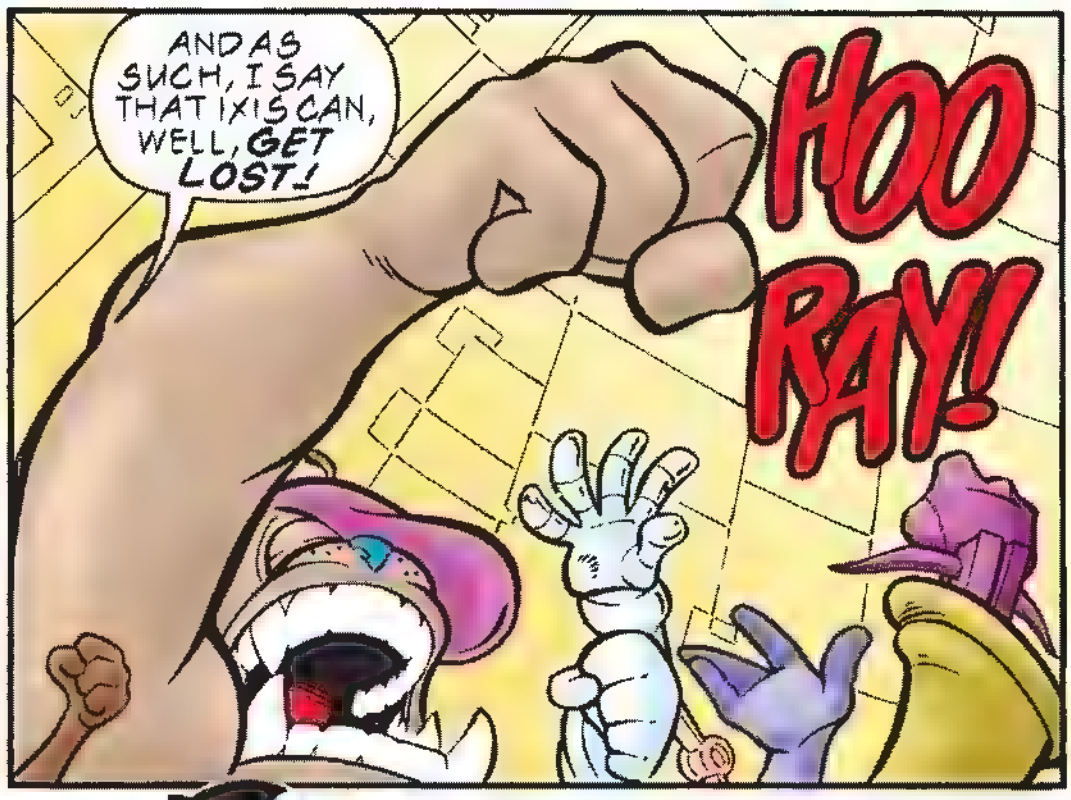

'...BUT I WOULD HAVE TO... GIVE FEALTY TO IXIS... FOR THE REST OF MY DAYS... AS HIS KNIGHT...
"...AS HAD... THE... OTHERS... IN THE... ZONE...

"...WE ALL HAD THE ABILITY... TO CHANGE... FROM CRYSTAL TO FLESH... AND BACK AGAIN...
"... I LOST THAT ABILITY... WHEN I ESCAPED... THE ZONE..."

DAD!
MY LIEGE!
HE'LL BE ALRIGHT, KIDS! HE JUST TAXED HIS ENDURANCE IN THE TELLING OF THAT SORDID TALE!
UGH...

IF WHAT THE KING SAID IS TRUE... IF HE DID INDEED SWEAR BLIND ALLEGIANCE TO THE WIZARD...
YOU CAN'T MEAN THAT IXIS IS KING?!

PRINCESS?
MY FATHER IS IN NO POSITION TO MAKE ANY DECISIONS REGARDING THE KINGDOM, THAT'S WHY I WAS APPOINTED ACTING RULER!


AND AS SUCH, I SAY THAT IXIS CAN, WELL, GET LOST!
HOO RAY!

SOUNDS
OF SILENCE
Part 4
SHAKT
LET ME TAKE A WILD GUESS...
GUARDS! NO!
FOR KING!
AND COUNTRY!

SHUNKT
AIEEE!
GASP!
WHO ELSE WOULD BATTLE KODOS FACE TO FACE?
ME!
BUT DO WE HAVE TO DO IT FACE TO FACE? YOU'RE KINDA UGLY!
BAH!
KODOS! END THIS!
WE MUST GET KING ACORN TO SAFETY!
SHUNKT
WHOA! THAT WAS A REAL CLOSE SHAVE!

YOUR PRECIOUS ACORN IS ABOUT TO GET CRACKED!

WHUMPT

HEE-YAH!

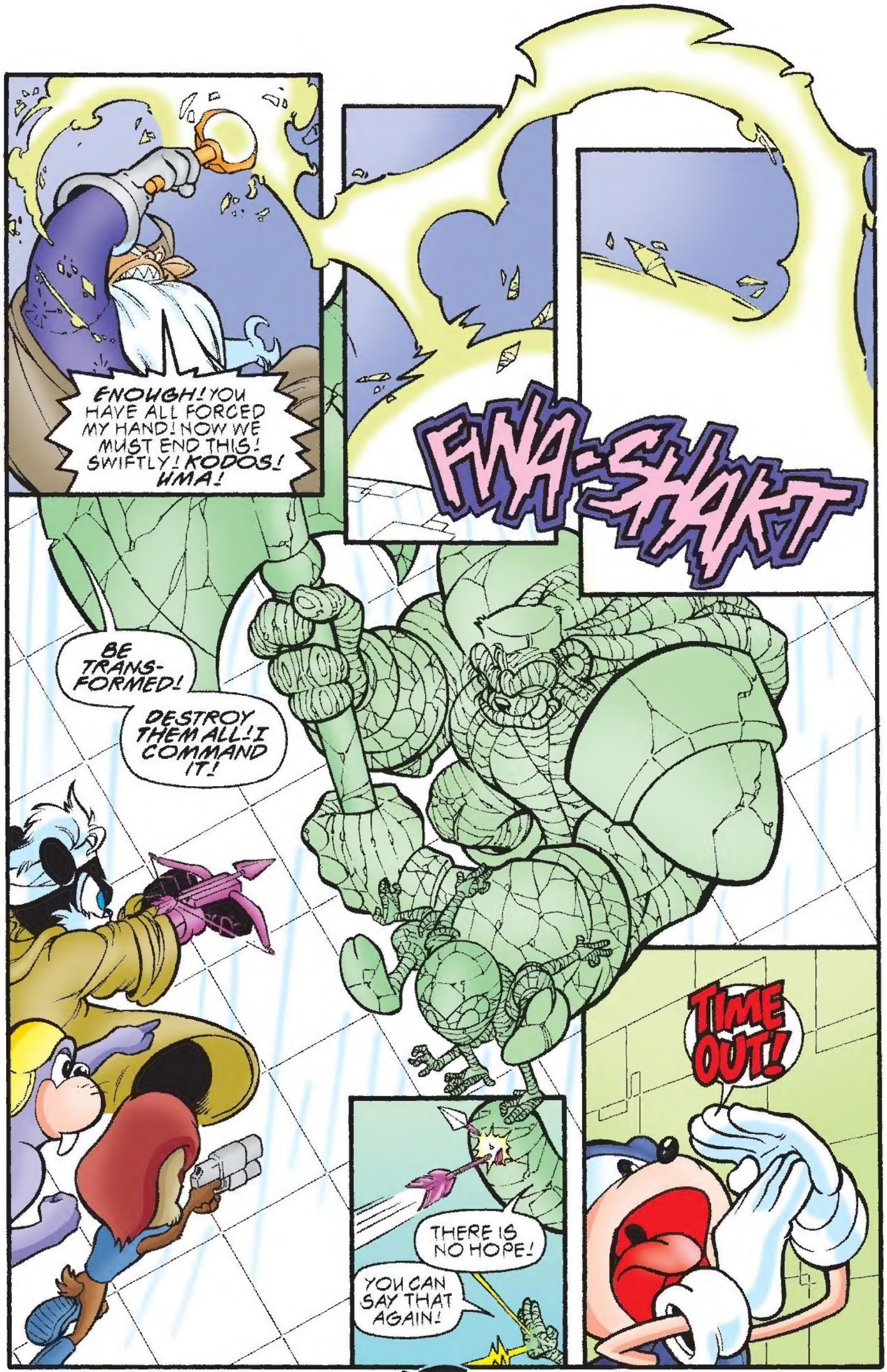
BLAST! WHERE'S MY BOW?!

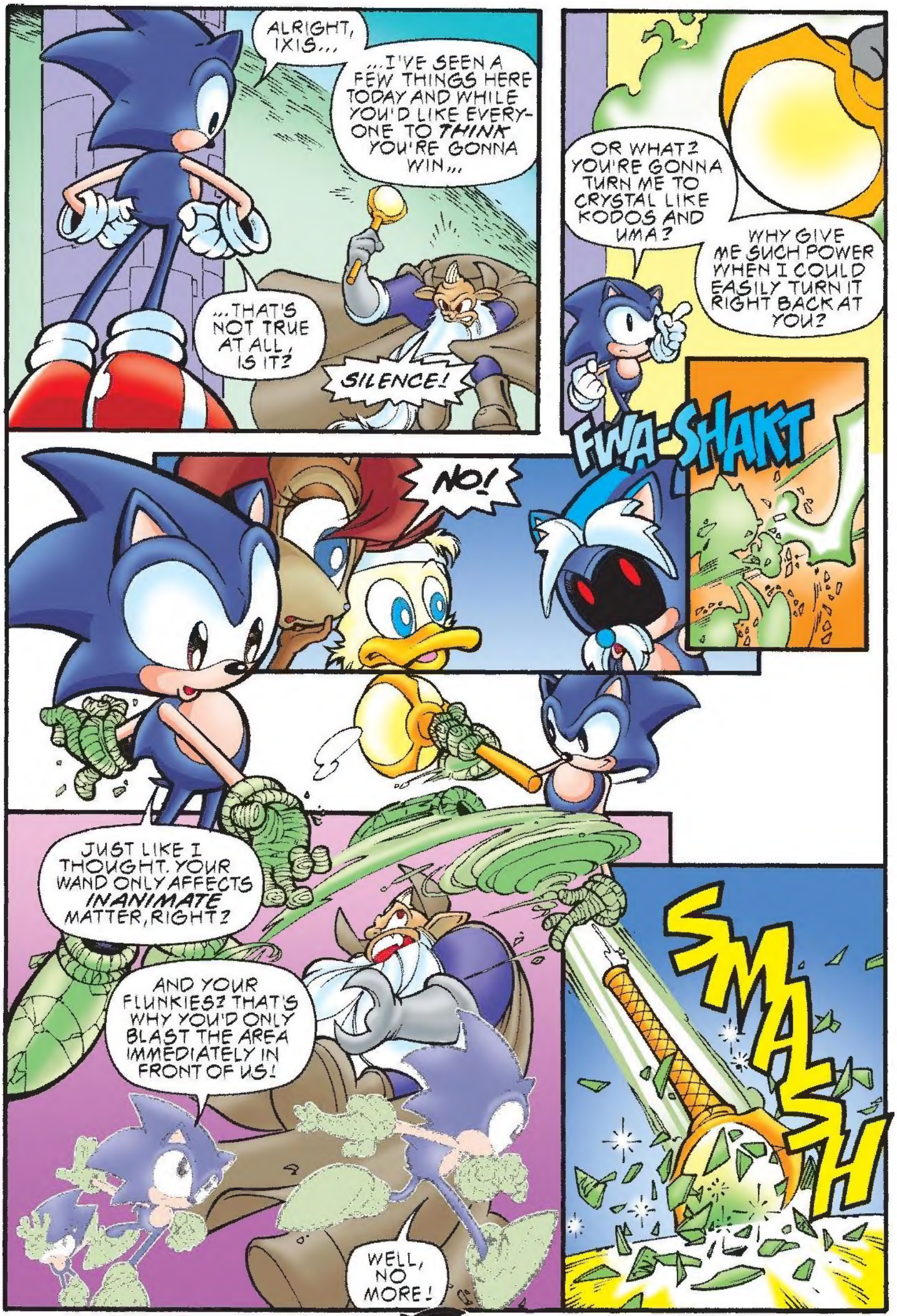
FACE IT, KODOS! I'M MORE OF A *HEAD TO HEAD* BATTLE TYPE!

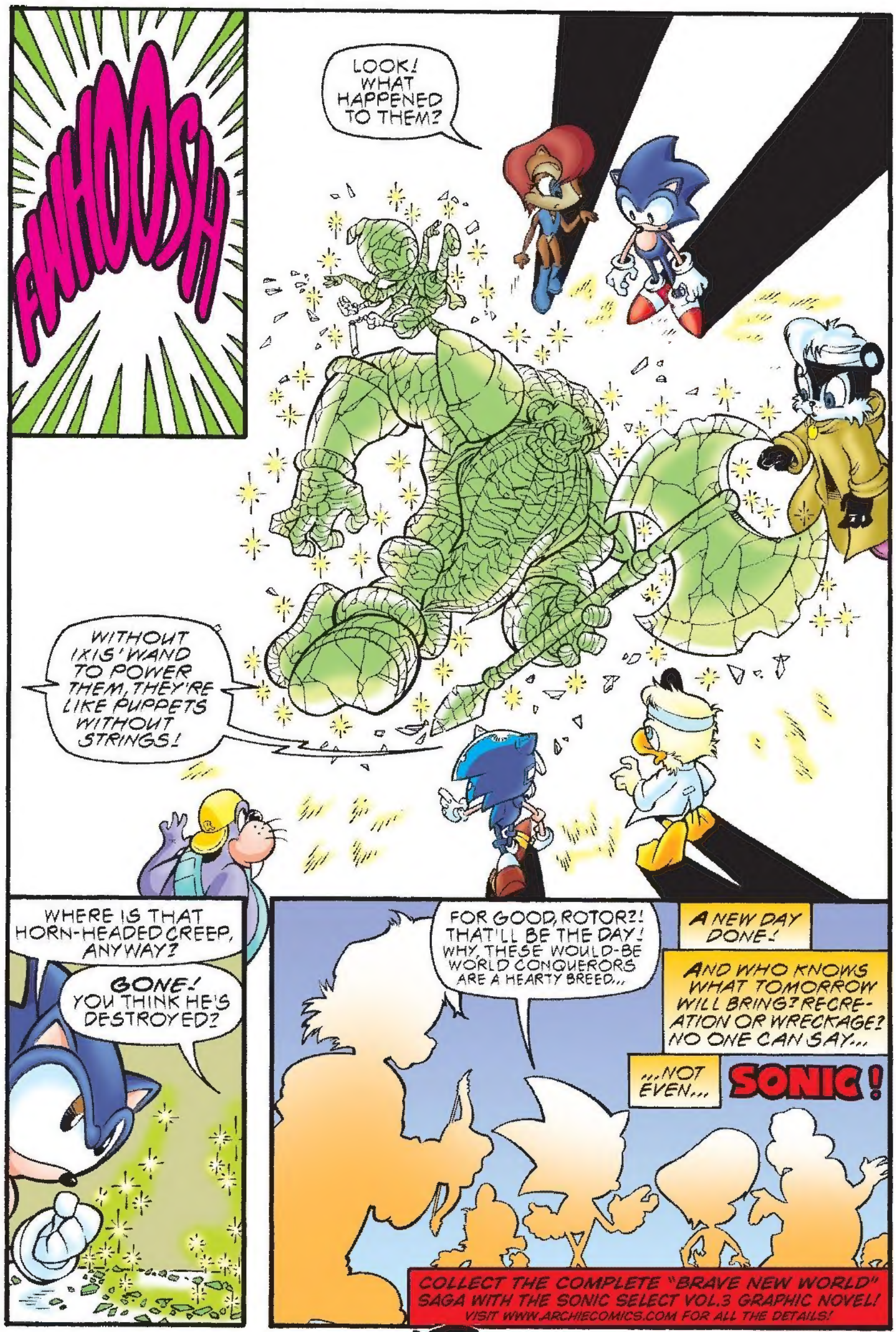
UGHH!

GOTTA DROP THE BED'S CANOPY ON HER--*YES!*

NIGHTY NIGHT!


ENOUGH! YOU HAVE ALL FORCED MY HAND! NOW WE MUST END THIS! SWIFTLY! KODOS! UMA!
FWA-SHAKT
BE TRANS-FORMED!
DESTROY THEM ALL! I COMMAND IT!
THERE IS NO HOPE!
YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!
TIME OUT!


ALRIGHT, IXIS...
...I'VE SEEN A FEW THINGS HERE TODAY AND WHILE YOU'D LIKE EVERYONE TO THINK YOU'RE GONNA WIN...
...THAT'S NOT TRUE AT ALL, IS IT?
SILENCE!
OR WHAT? YOU'RE GONNA TURN ME TO CRYSTAL LIKE KODOS AND UMA?
WHY GIVE ME SUCH POWER WHEN I COULD EASILY TURN IT RIGHT BACK AT YOU?
FWA-SHAKT
NO!
JUST LIKE I THOUGHT. YOUR WAND ONLY AFFECTS INANIMATE MATTER, RIGHT?
AND YOUR FLUNKIES? THAT'S WHY YOU'D ONLY BLAST THE AREA IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF US!
WELL, NO MORE!
SMASH


FWHOOSH
LOOK! WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM?
WITHOUT IXIS' WAND TO POWER THEM, THEY'RE LIKE PUPPETS WITHOUT STRINGS!
WHERE IS THAT HORN-HEADED CREEP, ANYWAY?
GONE! YOU THINK HE'S DESTROYED?
FOR GOOD, ROTOR?! THAT'LL BE THE DAY! WHY, THESE WOULD-BE WORLD CONQUERORS ARE A HEARTY BREED...
A NEW DAY DONE!
AND WHO KNOWS WHAT TOMORROW WILL BRING? RECRE-ATION OR WRECKAGE? NO ONE CAN SAY...
...NOT EVEN...
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IN TWO WEEKS: YOU SAY YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOME HARD-TO-FIND SONIC ISSUES? WELL LOOK NO FURTHER THAN THIS SPECIAL COLLECTION OF SONIC COMIC "FIRSTS!" INCLUDED IN THIS SLICK VOLUME ARE: "DON'T CRY FOR ME, MOBIUS!": THE **FIRST ARCHIE-PRODUCED SONIC COMIC STORY**, ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN BOTH SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #0 AND THE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #1/4 ASHCAN! "RABBOT DEPLOYMENT": THE FIRST COMIC BOOK APPEARANCE OF **BUNNIE RABBOT** FROM SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #3! "LIZARD OF ODD": THE FIRST TIME IN COMICS THAT SONIC IS TRANSFORMED INTO **SUPER SONIC**, FROM SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #4! "THIS ISLAND HEDGEHOG": THE FIRST COMIC BOOK APPEARANCE OF **KNUCKLES**, ORIGINALLY PRESENTED IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #13! GET **'SONIC THE HEDGEHOG:FIRSTS'** ON JUST FIND THE COUPON IN THIS BOOK TO ORDER BY MAIL!

AND IN THREE WEEKS: KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #7 HITS THE STANDS SPORTING A NEW LETTERS PAGE NAME **WITH THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO 'THUNK' IT UP!** IT ALSO MARKS THE RETURN OF EVERYBODY'S FAVORITE ECHIDNA VILLAIN... **ENERJAK**. AND IF YOU THOUGHT KNUCKLES ALREADY HAD IT TOUGH, **THE DARK LEGION** WILL MAKE IT TOUGHER! BROUGHT TO YOU BY KEN PENDERS, MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY. THE "DARK VENGEANCE" STORYLINE WILL BE PERSONIFIED BY OUR TRADITIONAL TRIPLE-COMBO COVERS BY FAN-FAVE PAT SPAZIANTE, ALONG WITH PENCIL ASSIST BY MANNY GALAN, INKS BY KEN PENDERS AND COLORS BY HEROIC AGE.

KNUCKLES
THE ECHIDNA #7
ON SALE OCTOBER 1997!

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NEXT MONTH IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #54: IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE **"ENDGAME"** SAGA AND SUBSEQUENT **"BRAVE NEW WORLD"** SPECIAL, **THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS** TRY TO RESOLVE THEIR FEELINGS AND THEIR PLACE IN THE NEW **MOBOTROPOLIS, ESPECIALLY SONIC!** LEADING THE CHARGE IS **PRINCESS SALLY**, VALIANTLY ATTEMPTING TO RESTRUCTURE THE KINGDOM. **SNIVELY**, LURKING IN THE SHADOWS OF THE **DEVIL'S GULAG**, PLANS HIS FIRST MOVE AGAINST OUR HEROES. JUST WHAT DOES HE DO? CHECK IT OUT! THIS TALE IS WRITTEN BY KARL BOLLERS WITH ART BY NELSON ORTEGA AND JOHN HEBERT. INKING THEM IS THE MAN THEY CALL HARVO! **ON SALE OCTOBER 1997!**

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THE HEDGEHOG #54
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CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE!

FREDDY

P.S.: IF YOU'RE A SEGA FREAK, YOU KNOW ABOUT THE **SEGA SATURN'S NIGHTS INTO DREAMS** GAME. WELL, PREPARE YOURSELF FOR **NIGHTS THE COMIC!** THIS THREE ISSUE MINI-SERIES IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE WRITER OF *REN & STIMPY* AND *TMNT: THE YEAR OF THE TURTLE*, **DAN SLOTT!** JOINING HIM ARE PENCILING SENSATIONS **PATRICK "SPAZ" SPAZIANTE AND MANNY GALAN** WITH INKING BY **HARVEY MERCADO/OCASIO!** COMPUTER-RENDERED COVERS BY THE **SPAZ/HARVO/HEROIC AGE** TEAM! MORE ON THIS NEXT MONTH!

LETTERS AND FAN ART WILL RETURN NEXT MONTH!

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